

COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY QUALITY OF LIFE

Thursday, October 7, 2010
Audrey Beck Municipal Building
Council Chambers
7:30 pm

Draft Minutes

Present: J. Fried, D. Keane, A. Moran, J. Riesen, J. Saddlemire
Staff: M. Hart, J. Hintz, G. Padick, M. Nintean

1) Call to Order/Roll Call.

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:32 PM.

2) Appointment of Recording Secretary

D. Keane agreed to serve as secretary, with assistance from M. Hart.

3) Approval of September 2, 2010 Meeting Minutes

J. Riesen moved and J. Saddlemire seconded to approve the minutes of the September 2,, 2010 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

4) Opportunity for Public to Address the Committee

None

5) Chairperson's Report

Chair A. Moran reported on the following items:

- The Town is conducting a police services study and the consulting team would like to meet with the members of the committee as well as representatives from the Mansfield Community Campus Partnership (MCCP). The October 28th date is problematic for certain committee members – M. Hart will look to see if the session can be moved to November 4th. If not, those who cannot attend will be invited to participate in the focus groups that the consultants will convene.
- The police at SCSU are now fining underage drinking on campus (under state law or campus policy?). The Chair asked that this topic be listed as a future agenda item.
- Now that the committee has completed its work on a few initiatives and the membership has changed somewhat, the Chair would like the committee to develop objectives and a sense of direction for the remainder of the academic year and leading into the fall 2011 semester. This item will be listed as a business item for the November meeting.

6) Communications

None

7) Items of Business

- a) *Discuss draft options nuisance house ordinance* – The committee reviewed the draft versions of the ordinance and expressed support for the version that would not necessitate a tenant eviction. J. Hintz and J. Saddlemire agreed to obtain data concerning parking on campus, such as the number of student permits that are issued, and the percentage of the study body that maintains a car on campus. Town staff was asked to research and complete the following assignments:
 - i) Add a provision to cite landlords for multiple violations that occur on the landlords property within a specified period of time
 - ii) Look at the viability of extending the applicability of the ordinance to owner-occupied properties
 - iii) Review the revised draft with the Town Attorney and the CT State Police (CSP) to ensure the legality of the proposed revision and that the CSP has the capability to enforce the ordinance.
- b) *Model Lease Discussion* – J. Hintz reviewed the model lease provisions with the committee; the revised draft was well-received. This information will be available at the Office of Off-Campus Services website - <http://www.offcampus.uconn.edu/>. M. Hart would also like to post a link to this information via the Town's website.
- c) *Staff Update Large Assembly Ordinance* – M. Nintean reported that he is working on a draft large assembly ordinance; the Town Attorney needs to review the draft prior to submission to the committee. The draft ordinance will be a future business item.
- d) *Student Legal Services* – J. Saddlemire reported that the Board of Trustees Student Life Committee has written the Attorney General's Office seeking an amendment to state statute to allow the University to locate a student legal services office on-campus.
- e) *Communication re Responsible Off-campus Behavior/Positive Community-Campus Relations* - J. Saddlemire agreed to prepare a draft communication piece regarding the University's efforts to promote responsible off-campus behavior and its desire to improve and maintain positive relations between the student body and the community at-large.

8) Adjournment

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Matt Hart, Town Manager